

DISCLAIMER

This electronic version of an SCC order is for informational purposes only and is not an official document of the Commission. An official copy may be obtained from the [Clerk of the Commission, Document Control Center](#).

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA
STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

AT RICHMOND, NOVEMBER 30, 2000

APPLICATION OF
SOUTHSIDE ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE

CASE NO.PUE000476

For approval of a special
rate and contract

ORDER GRANTING MOTION TO
WITHDRAW APPLICATION

On September 12, 2000, Southside Electric Cooperative ("Southside" or "the Cooperative") filed an application under Section 56-235.2 of the Code of Virginia with the State Corporation Commission ("Commission") for a special rate and contract. Southside seeks approval of "Contract Rate for ArborTech Inc. --ID-AT" ("special rate") under which the Cooperative would provide electric service at a special rate to ArborTech, Inc., a lumber producer and manufacturer of wood products, proposing to locate on a site adjacent to Fort Pickett Airfield, in Nottoway County, Virginia.

On October 6, 2000, the Commission entered an order for Notice and Hearing, setting the matter for November 28, 2000, before a hearing examiner. The October 6th Order directed the Cooperative to: (i) publish notice of its application in newspapers of general circulation throughout Southside's service territory, (ii) serve a copy of the order for Notice and Hearing upon the Cooperative's customers served under Southside's

Industrial Power Rate Schedule I, the rate schedule under which ArborTech would have been served in the absence of the proposed special rate, and (iii) serve a copy of the Order for Notice and Hearing upon the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors of Nottoway County.

On November 27, 2000, the Cooperative filed a motion to withdraw its application without prejudice. In its motion, Southside stated its intent to refile its request for a special rate as part of a general rate case that will be filed with the Commission before December 29, 2000.

On November 28, 2000, the matter came on for hearing before Howard P. Anderson, Jr., Hearing Examiner. No public witnesses appeared. In a ruling from the bench, the Hearing Examiner found that Southside's Motion to withdraw its application without prejudice should be granted and recommended that the Commission adopt his finding.

NOW UPON CONSIDERATION of the Motion to Withdraw and the Hearing Examiner's finding and recommendation, the Commission finds that Southside's Motion should be granted.

Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED THAT:

(1) The Hearing Examiner's finding and recommendation is adopted.

(2) Southside Electric Cooperative's Motion to withdraw its application without prejudice is hereby granted.

(3) This matter shall be dismissed without prejudice from the Commission's docket of active proceedings.